



## **H.R. 932 – Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Act**

### **Floor Situation**

H.R. 932 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative John Lewis (D-GA) on February 8, 2007. The Committee on the Judiciary reported the bill, as amended, by voice vote on June 13, 2007.

### **Summary**

H.R. 932 would authorize \$10 million annually from FY2008 through FY2017 for the Department of Justice and the FBI to investigate civil rights crimes committed before December 31, 1969. These investigations would be carried out with coordination from state and local law enforcement.

The bill would also establish a grant program – authorized at \$2 million annually from FY2008 through FY2017 – to assist state and local law enforcement in investigating and prosecuting crimes.

In addition, H.R. 932 authorizes \$1.5 million annually from FY2008 through FY2017 for DOJ to provide technical assistance by bringing together law enforcement agencies and communities to investigate violations of criminal civil rights statutes.

*Note: The Senate Judiciary Committee favorably reported similar legislation introduced by Sen. Dodd (D-CT), S. 535, with an amendment, on June 14, 2007.*

### **Cost Estimate**

This legislation has not been scored by CBO.

### **Staff Contact**

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